

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the filling of wetlands and streams in Fairfax County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: For 30 days, starting from the day after the notice is in the newspaper: **June 24, 2016 to July 25, 2016**

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Water Protection Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Fairfax County-Department of Public Works and Environmental Services; 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 449, Fairfax, Virginia 22035; VWPP No. 15-1292

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Fairfax County-Department of Public Works and Environmental Services has applied for a new permit for the Huntington Run Levee. The project is located in Huntington Park, parallel to and between Arlington Terrace and Cameron Run (waterway) at the northern end of Liberty Drive in Fairfax County, Virginia. The permit will allow the applicant to construct a 2,800-foot long earthen levee capped with a concrete I-wall and associated infrastructure including a pump station, interior drainage and storm sewer system, outfall channels, high flow diversion culverts, and a runoff storage ponding area. The proposed activity would affect 1.04 acres of tidal and nontidal wetlands and 1,391 linear feet of tidal and nontidal streams. The activity proposed in the permit will affect unnamed tributaries to Cameron Run in the Potomac watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. To compensate for the affected area, the applicant would purchase 2.16 wetland credits and 738 stream credits from a DEQ approved mitigation bank that is authorized to sell credits to the permitted impact site and/or the Virginia Aquatic Resources Trust Fund. DEQ's preliminary decision is to issue the permit.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Allison King; Northern Regional Office, 13901 Crown Court, Woodbridge, Virginia 22193; Phone: 703-583-3909; E-mail: Allison.King@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (703) 583-3821. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed.